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(*b*) what " public interests " the Government fear are likely to be affected by the unhampered visits by the said non-officials to girls' schools?

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The Government were led to issue G.O. No. 1358, Education, dated 15th June 1938, as a result of allegations made against a certain vice-president of a district board regarding his conduct towards women teachers employed in elementary schools. The orders in the Government Order have since been modified by G.O. No. 2210, Education, dated 16th September 1938, which has been placed at the disposal of the Press."

Government's policy in regard to co-education and visits of non-officials to mixed schools.

* 66 *Q.*—SRI RAO BAHADUR M. RAMAKRISHNA REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Legal Departments be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the future policy of Government is regarding co-education and mixed schools;

(*b*) whether the Government are in favour of such co-education;

(*c*) if the Government are in favour of co-education, whether they think that visits of adult non-officials and not presence of boys studying in mixed schools are likely to affect " public interests ";

(*d*) if the Government think that presence of boys is not likely to affect " public interests " at which age of the boys the Government think there will be a necessity for the imposition of restrictions mentioned by the Government Order; and

(*e*) whether the opinion of the Director of Public Instruction was obtained before the passing of the Government Order and if so, whether a copy of the same will be placed on the table?

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The policy continues to be the same as it has been. The hon. Member is referred to rule 70 of the Madras Educational Rules.

" (*c*) *to* (*e*) The hon. Member apparently refers to the orders in G.O. No. 1358, Education, dated 15th June 1938. The Government Order has since been modified by G.O. No. 2210, Education, dated 16th September 1938, which has been placed at the disposal of the Press."

Alleged imposition of fine on an European and its subsequent reduction.

* 67 *Q.*—SRI RAO BAHADUR N. R. SAMIAPPA MUDALIYAR: Will the Hon. the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a fine of Rs. 500 was imposed on a European for an offence committed under the Prohibition Act, which was subsequently reduced to Rs.